

# Tour Aswan and Luxor. The wealth to behold the breathtaking elegance of Egyptian culture.

**Price Starting From: \$720** 

4 Days / 3 Nights Aswan / Luxor Egypt One Country Two Cities Every Monday

Get on an impressive journey through the land of pharaohs with our exclusive **Egypt Tours**. Experience the rich tapestry of history, culture, and breathtaking landscapes that define this ancient civilization. Our carefully curated itineraries provide an immersive experience, allowing you to explore iconic landmarks and hidden gems alike. From the bustling streets of Cairo to the serene banks of the Nile, each moment is designed to captivate your senses and deepen your understanding of Egypt's storied past.

Luxor is the world's greatest open-air museum and a highlight of any Egyptian adventure. Here, you can marvel at the grandeur of the Karnak Temple and the Valley of the Kings, where the tombs of legendary pharaohs are nestled amidst the desert landscape. Our tours offer guided explorations of these monumental sites, providing insights into the fascinating history and architectural brilliance of ancient Egypt. Luxor is not just a destination; it's a journey back

Aswan, the gateway to Nubian culture, offers a unique blend of stunning natural beauty and rich history. On your Nile Cruise, you will have the opportunity to visit the magnificent Philae Temple and the impressive High Dam, as well as enjoy the tranquil waters of Lake Nasser. Aswan's vibrant markets and warm hospitality create an inviting atmosphere, making it a perfect stop on your Egyptian adventure. Discover the charm of this southern city and its significance in the tapestry of Egyptian heritage.

Experience the magic of the Nile with our <u>Nile Cruise Tours</u>, where luxury meets history on the world's longest river. Aboard the Steigenberger MS Minerva, you'll sail through breathtaking landscapes, stopping at historic sites along the way. Enjoy gourmet dining, spacious accommodations, and engaging onboard activities as you glide from Luxor to Aswan. Each day brings new discoveries, from ancient temples to vibrant local culture, making your Nile Cruise an extraordinary way to explore Egypt's timeless allure.

Overview Inclusion

- Meet and greet by Cairo Top Tours representatives at Aswan Airport and Luxor airport
- Full assistance from specialized guest relations during the 4-day Aswan to Luxor Nile cruise
- Transportation in modern, air-conditioned, non-smoking vehicles
- Full board accommodation on the deluxe Steigenberger Minerva Egypt Nile River Cruise
- Private Egypt Nile Cruise Tours as per the travel package
- Entrance fees and tickets to all sites included in the tour itinerary
- Certified English-speaking (or other language) tour guide for all Egypt day tours
- All service charges and taxes are covered
- Stops for snacks available upon request
- Shopping tours in Luxor and Aswan are provided upon request

### **Exclusion**

- International flights not included
- · Beverages during meals not included
- Personal spending during the Egypt luxury tours is not covered
- Optional activities or entrance to the tombs of Tutankhamun, Ramses VI, and Seti I are not included
- Tipping is not included

### **Itinerary**

## **Day 1: A Day Tour in Aswan**

**Egypt Tours** begins with your arrival in the captivating land of ancient wonders. Your journey starts as you step into the rich tapestry of history and culture that Egypt has to offer.

Upon landing at <u>Aswan Airport</u>, you will be warmly greeted by our representatives, who will assist you in your transition to the luxurious Steigenberger MS Minerva. From the moment you arrive, you'll be enveloped in the charm and hospitality that define this remarkable country.

After a smooth transfer, prepare to start a scenic journey along the <u>Nile River</u>, a lifeline that has nurtured civilizations for millennia. As you cruise, take in the breathtaking views of lush landscapes contrasted by the stark beauty of the desert.

Your first stop is the <u>High Dam</u>, an engineering marvel that transformed Egypt's agricultural landscape. Here, you will learn about the dam's significance in harnessing the Nile's waters for irrigation and electricity, shaping modern Egypt.

Next, visit the <u>Unfinished Obelisk</u>, a testament to ancient Egyptian craftsmanship. This colossal monument provides insight into the techniques used by artisans and the ambitions of pharaohs, serving as a reminder of the grandeur that once was.

In the afternoon, explore the enchanting <u>Temple of Philae</u>, dedicated to the goddess <u>Isis</u>. This stunning temple complex, rich in <u>Greco-Roman</u> architecture, is set on an island and surrounded by the tranquil waters of the Nile. As you wander through its halls, you'll feel the presence of ancient rituals and the reverence of worshippers.

Throughout your visit, immerse yourself in the **myth of Osiris and Seth**, a poignant tale of love, betrayal, and resurrection. The temple's inscriptions narrate this timeless story, illustrating the beliefs that shaped the spiritual landscape of ancient Egypt.

As your first day concludes, reflect on the incredible experiences and sights that lay the foundation for your unforgettable journey through Egypt.

Included Meals: Welcome drink, Lunch, and Dinner

### Day 2: Visit the stunning temples of Aswan.

<u>Day Tours</u> in Egypt offer a unique opportunity to delve deeper into the rich history and culture that adorns the banks of the Nile. Today, your adventure continues as you explore two remarkable temples that embody the essence of ancient Egyptian worship.

Your first destination is the **Kom Ombo Temple**, dedicated to the crocodile god **Sobek**. This fascinating temple is uniquely designed with a dual structure, symbolizing the harmony between the gods Sobek and Horus. As you walk through its beautifully preserved corridors, take note of the intricate carvings and hieroglyphs that tell stories of ancient rituals and daily life.

Afterward, you will head to the majestic **Edfu Temple**, one of the best-preserved temples in Egypt. Dedicated to the falcon-headed god Horus, this temple stands as a remarkable example of Ptolemaic architecture. As you explore its grand halls and towering columns, you'll gain insight into the religious practices and beliefs that shaped the lives of the ancient Egyptians.

Throughout the day, your knowledgeable guide will share captivating insights and stories, enriching your understanding of these extraordinary sites. Experience the spiritual significance of these temples as you connect with the ancient past, making your journey truly unforgettable.

As the day draws to a close, return to your cruise ship, where you can reflect on the wonders you encountered and look forward to the adventures that lie ahead.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Tea, and Dinner

### Day 3: The Jewels and Landmarks of Luxor

On the third day of your journey, immerse yourself in the myriad of **things to do in Luxor**, a city that stands as a testament to the grandeur of ancient Egypt. Today's exploration will take you through some of the most significant historical sites that define this remarkable region.

Begin your day by delving into the legacy of **Ramses the Great**, one of Egypt's most celebrated pharaohs. His reign marked a pinnacle in the **history of Egypt**, characterized by monumental architecture and military prowess. As you visit his temples, you'll gain insight into his accomplishments and the enduring impact he had on Egyptian civilization.

Your first major stop is the <u>Valley of the Kings</u>, the final resting place of many pharaohs from the <u>New Kingdom</u>. Here, you'll explore intricately decorated tombs, including that of Tutankhamun, and discover the elaborate burial practices that were essential to their beliefs in the afterlife. Each tomb tells a story, providing a glimpse into the opulence and artistry of ancient funerary traditions.

Next, visit the **Temple of Queen Hatshepsut**, a stunning mortuary temple dedicated to one of Egypt's few female pharaohs. Its unique architecture, set against the cliffs of Deir el-Bahari, reflects her remarkable reign and the significance of her contributions to Egyptian society. Learn about her

inspiring story and the challenges she faced as a woman in a male-dominated world.

Afterward, marvel at the <u>Colossi of Memnon</u>, two massive stone statues that once flanked the entrance to the mortuary temple of Amenhotep III. These iconic figures have stood for centuries, whispering tales of the past to those who visit.

In the afternoon, explore the magnificent <u>Karnak Temples</u>, a vast complex dedicated to the god Amun. Walk through the awe-inspiring hypostyle hall, adorned with towering columns and intricate carvings, and feel the spiritual energy that has drawn worshippers for millennia.

As the day winds down, visit the <u>Temple of Luxor</u>, a stunning site that comes alive with history. This temple was once the center of the annual Opet Festival, and its grandeur is a fitting conclusion to your Luxor sightseeing tours.

Wrap up your **East and West Bank** day tour with reflections on the day's discoveries, as you return to your cruise ship, ready for another evening of relaxation and enjoyment.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

# Day 4: The end of our Journey

Your four-day Nile cruise from Aswan to Luxor comes to an end today. This concludes your Egypt Nile cruise after breakfast on board. Upon request, our Cairo Top Tours guide can set up transportation to and from the **Luxor Airport**, train station, and any hotel in Luxor.

Meals included: Breakfast